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1. It is reported that Turkish troops stationed on the eastern border have been withdrawn beyond the Turco-Russian boundary as it existed at the time of World War I, evacuating Kars and Ardahan and leaving only police and gendarmerie for maintenance of order.
2. The alarmed population endeavored to follow the troops, but Sükrü Şökmensuer, Minister of Interior, left for Kars and Ardahan to still the excitement and to assure the people that there was no threat of war. He explained that the government had been forced to take precautionary measures to forestall possible incidents.
3. In contrast to the Turkish evacuation, it is reported that the Soviets are fortifying the Caucasus border line.

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